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MEETING OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL ASSOCIATION.

A very numerous and highly respectable meeting, consisting of from four to five hundred members of the Constitutional Association and signers of its petition to Parliament, was held at the Albion Hotel, on Friday evening last, to receive a report of the proceedings had on the petition of the Imperial Parliament, entrusted to Mr. Neilson, and to consider the expediency of presenting his Excellency the Governor-in-Chief, on the subject of the pretensions of the two Houses of Provincial Legislature to obtain, separately, the disposal of money under the name of contingencies, out of the unappropriated revenues, without the authority of law.

At a quarter past seven, Andrew Stuart, Esq. took the chair, amidst universal cheering. Mr. Stuart then opened the business, of the meeting by stating that all present had no doubt read the notice convening the meeting, and observed that the first object referred to in that notice, as coming under the consideration of the meeting, was a report from the mission sent to England to support the prayer of the petition of the Association. The gentleman named by them had departed for England with all possible celerity, immediately after his nomination, furnished with instructions prepared by the Executive Committee with as much care as lay in their power. He was now returned, and this was perhaps as early a day as could be expected for the communication of the result of his mission, which they would then receive from the mouth of the gentleman himself.

Mr. Neilson, on rising was greeted with loud and prolonged cheers. He stated that during his absence in England on the mission with which he had been honored, he took particular care to inform the Executive Committee of the Association of all his proceedings, by letter. The substance of these letters were, he believed, known generally to the meeting. Since his return, it had been his intention to prepare a written report of his mission, to be submitted to the Executive Committee, but a great variety of business had prevented him from so doing, up to the present moment; however, he would then, by word of mouth, communicate to them all that had been done by him in furtherance of the views of the petitioners by whom he had been commissioned, (cheers.) His instructions had been to proceed as speedily as possible to England, and co-operate with the agent who might be named by the Montreal Constitutional Association, and with any person who might be named on the part of the British N. A. Colonial Association, in London. In obedience to these instructions, he proceeded to London with William Walker, Esq., who had been named as the Agent of the Montreal Constitutional Association, and arrived there on the 10th of May. On the 11th, they communicated with the Colonial Association, who appointed Alexander Gillespie, Esq.

the chairman of the association, to act with them (the agents.) The Association represents a very material portion of the interests of this country—those of the merchants and capitalists who carry on the trade of the Province—and is equally interested with us in maintaining the connection with the Mother country, (cheers.) It was, therefore, with extreme propriety that they had been directed to co-operate with that body. After the appointment of Mr. Gillespie as their coadjutor, they immediately communicated with the Secretary of State for the Colonial Department, informing him that they were charged with a petition from a large number of British subjects in Canada, and desired an interview. This interview was fixed for the following day, when it was accordingly had, & they presented the Montreal petition. The Quebec petition, with an immense quantity of documents, could not be had that day, being under the bonds of the custom house, at Liverpool. They reminded the colonial Secretary that the House of Assembly of this province had repeatedly submitted their grievances to the Government and Parliament of Great Britain; that their petitions had been referred to committees; that parades had been heard in support of these petitions; and that those who likewise complained of grievances—grievances bearing more on the industrial portion of the community than on the politicians—had not been heard, (cheers)—that it would be competent then for the Government to hear both parties and interfere in the affairs of Lower Canada, agreeably to the wishes of the opposite party themselves (cheers.) At that time no Commissioners were named—two had been named, but both of them resigned—and they (the agents) were in hopes that an enquiry would at once be instituted, and peace restored to this country, without the interruption of those everlasting disputes which have distracted the province, (cheers.) They had one interview after another with the colonial Secretary, and matters went on until about the 19th of June, when they were informed that his Majesty had appointed Commissioners to proceed to Canada—that the petitions had been referred to those Commissioners, and that their supporters would have an opportunity of being heard in Canada. The commissioners were now arrived in this province, and the Constitutional Association would have to take into their consideration what proceedings would be the most advisable to adopt. It was obvious to them (the agents) and to every one else, that after the final determination of his Majesty to send a Commission to Canada, it was needless to attempt to obtain any legislative interference in England. It happened unfortunately, and often has happened, (for those engaged in industrial pursuits) to pay less attention to public affairs than those who trade in politics) that the British portion of the inhabitants of this province have been rather remiss in giving the British Government information of their grievances. It will be observed, that since 1831 the other party have had agents in England, and have sent numberless petitions to support their petition before the Imperial Parliament. He would, at present, move the thanks of the meeting to Mr. Neilson; but he hoped that they would hereafter offer him some more solid marks of their approbation (cheers.)

Mr. Price accordingly moved, seconded by Mr. Duval:

That the thanks of this meeting be rendered to John Neilson, Esq. for his unremitting attention and able exertions in support of the petition to his Majesty and the two Houses of Parliament, with which he was charged.

This motion having passed with acclamation,

Mr. Neilson thanked the meeting for this expression of their favorable opinion, and stated that he would continue to consider his duty to take a part in every thing that might appear to him to be just and conducive to the general good. He had embarked with them in the same ship, and if she was wrecked, he was wrecked also (cheers.)

Mr. Andrew Stuart, the Chairman, said it might have been seen that the gentleman composing the Executive Committee of the Constitutional Association had not been so attentive as the important nature of the duties with which they were charged might have required from them. Most persons must, however, beware, that during the absence of the Agents in England, it would have been uniting for the committee to adopt any course of proceedings which might have interfered with those on the other side of the water. Down to the instant of time that the nature of the proceedings adopted in England on behalf of the Constitutional Association was known, the Association was not called upon to adopt any proceedings of a public character; nothing could have been done with any prudence or propriety.

It was only after the determination of His Majesty's government was known that it was at all fitting that the committee should occupy itself with any public measures of importance. All were aware that but a short time had elapsed since the return of the agent deputed by the association, and the arrival of the Commissioners sent by his Majesty to enquire into the affairs of this province. Since that time, he (Mr. Stuart) could say that the committee had exerted itself to the utmost in endeavoring to find out what could be done under the trying and difficult circumstances in which they found themselves placed. The different objects which the committee were called upon to consider, were of an impious nature, and spread over a wide field. Excluded, as we are, from all substantial power in the House of Assembly—told, as we are, in our own country, that we are aliens and foreigners—without the means of expressing our sentiments in the Legislature in a degree at all corresponding to our numbers—our position is rendered entirely unique, and the committee placed in a situation of unprecedented difficulty. Under these circumstances, it was scarcely possible that the committee should not go astray; but he (Mr. Stuart) would say, that they had acted to the best of their abilities, and any error must only be imputed to the circumstances already mentioned. Taking this view of their position, and taking into consideration that they could not embrace all the objects before them at once, the committee had directed their attention to those of the most urgent necessity. Of these, the most prominent was a claim of a most extraordinary nature, set up by the House of Assembly, and enforced with all the confidence and vigour appertaining to truth and justice—it was a claim set up by both houses of the Legislature, but more particularly the House of Assembly—to obtain the disposal of large sums of money without the authority of law. We should have forgotten what we read when we were children of every period of the history of our ancestors, if we did not resist to the utmost every attempt by any body to appropriate the revenues of the country without the authority of law (loud cheers.) We owe obedience to the law, we are proud of obeying the law—it is the pride of freemen to be subject to it; but we will never submit to unlawful acts, such as an unlawful appropriation of the public money (immense cheering.) All necessary appropriations he trusted would be acceded to freely; but that the revenues of the country should be taken from us at the will of any single body, was a monstrous proposition, that no freeman could brook or for a moment listen to (cheers.) It mattered not who took our money, be it the Governor-in-Chief, sixteen members of the Legislative Council, or eighty members of the House of Assembly—it mattered not, if it was without the sanction of law. Deeply impressed with the importance of this subject,—feeling that if the public funds could be appropriated contrary to law, public morality would be corrupted, public trust violated, the security of public property destroyed, and the foundations of public justice undermined,—the Committee considered it their duty to direct their attention, without delay, to this matter; and the result of their labours was a string of resolutions, which would be submitted to the meeting (cheers.) In conclusion, Mr. Stuart said, that having disposed of this point, there were various others to which the unremitting attention of the committee would be directed; and though perhaps they would not at all times be able to combine the opinions of all, he trusted that the gentlemen of the Association would look at the difficulties of their situation (loud cheering.)

Mr. John Neilson on proposing the first resolution, said that he for one, would be happy to see all differences and dissensions buried in oblivion—that all that has passed were obliterated, and that we might start anew, with no other object than the general improvement of the country and happiness of the people (cheers.) But we could not do otherwise than look at our situation and feel the pressure that is upon us—we know and feel that the whole power of the government in some measure is thrown into one branch of the Legislature, and that that branch forgetful of its duties is laying the foundation of a system of dilapidation of the public funds, and of domination over a great portion of H. M. subjects in this Province. We are not wanting in proofs of all the allegations on which we found our complaints, and we are ready to support them. Amongst other proofs of the attempted subversion of the constitution is the pretension set forth by the House of Assembly, to apply large sums of money, paid by the people of this province, of whom we form a considerable part, and to the revenue of which we certainly contribute a most material portion without the sanction of the other branches of the Legislature. This pretension is one unfounded in law and contrary to the British Constitution, and the act of Parliament under which we live, (cheers.) He, (Mr. Neilson) had been long a member of the House of Assembly, and he was far from saying that that body had not done a great deal of good to the country. But that power which does a great deal of good, may, if misdirected do a great deal of evil. One of the good acts performed by the House of Assembly was the restraining the profuse expenditure of the Executive Government. That was a good act—let the officers of Government be well and regularly paid, but let there be no idle living on the community—let there be a fair remuneration for services performed but nothing more, (cheers.) The House of Assembly acting on this principle had prevented the increase of the expenditure of the country in one year to an amount of £16,000 or £18,000, and which would have been saddled upon the country for ever. That was a legitimate use of the power of the House of Assembly; but what has been the effect of the absence of control upon that body itself? It was this—when in 1795, the whole public expense of the civil government and administration of justice amounted to £12,000 or £20,000, the expense of the Legislature were £1,500. At this present day the expenses of the civil government including the administration of justice amounted to about £4,000, and the expenses of the Legislature amount to £2,000, (cheers and laughter.) That is to say, that the expenses of the Legislature were one-twelfth of the expenditure 49 years ago, but now they are one half! The House of Assembly was an excellent check on the Executive, but it was a bad one on itself, (cheers and laughter.) This was, however, inherent in human nature—there was no man who could be an impartial judge in his own cause. It was essential in every government that the power of disposing of the public money should not belong to any one public body, but that each branch of Legislature should be a check on the other. By this means even the envy and the jealousy of one branch towards another would be turned to the public good, as they would cause one branch to cry out if another was spending profusely, (loud cheers and laughter.) But if one branch is to put its hands in the public chest as often as it pleases without control, the danger is imminent. The House of Assembly being more numerous than the other branches, the principle is still more dangerous as regards that body, it having more friends to provide for, (cheers.) It has besides the exclusive power of originating money bills. It has also the power of taxation which the Executive and the other branches have not, and he, (Mr. Neilson,) would ask any man of common understanding if having the whole disposal of the public money, it should happen to take the whole of it, would it not come and put its hands into our pockets for a fresh supply? It has the means of doing so, and if it is to be allowed the whole control of the money, there was very little doubt but what it would use those means, (cheers.) He would, therefore, submit the following proposition:

It was then moved by Mr. Price, seconded by Mr. Duval,

Resolved 1. That it is the ancient and undoubted right of British Subjects not to be compelled to contribute to the public expenditure otherwise than according to the provisions of law.

Moved by Mr. LeMesurier, seconded by Mr. McLeod,

2. That by Act of the British Parliament 31 Geo. III. cap. 31, establishing the Government of this province, the power of making laws not repugnant to the said act is vested in His Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the said Province and not otherwise.

Mr. George Pemberton, before proposing the third resolution, stated that it contained a proposition so perfectly self-evident to every one who lived under the British Constitution, and was aware that the Legislature was composed of three branches, that it was almost unnecessary to prefix it with any remarks. But as he considered that the power assumed and set forth by the House of Assembly, and also partly by the Legislative Council, so perfectly subversive of the first elements of the Constitution, he would beg leave to offer a few remarks on the subject. He was aware that in these days of reform and improvement, it was customary for a certain class of demagogues to consider that branch of the Legislature represented here by the Legislative Council, as not only perfectly useless but injurious. Such was the doctrine set forth by the House of Assembly, who say that they have a right to take the public money and apply it to purposes decidedly hostile to the British population (Concluded on our last page.)

OUTLINE OF THE DEBATES.

Wednesday, 28th October, 1835.

Mr. Vanfelson moved for leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the Act 10 & 11 Geo. IV. cap. 58, for the relief of certain religious denominations, and to make other provisions for the same object. He stated that this Bill was the same as that introduced by him last session, and he thought the printing of it might consequently be dispensed with.

Mr. Berthelot said that as the Bill was of a most important nature, and as each member might not possess a copy at present he considered that it ought to be printed anew.

Mr. Vanfelson said if the hon. member had lost his copy, he would be very happy to lend him one. It was certainly the rule that every Bill should be printed, but he thought that when it was unnecessary, an example of economy ought to be set by the House.

Mr. Berthelot persisted in his opinion; and the Bill was ordered to be printed. Second reading, on Monday next.

Mr. Vanfelson said that last session he had called the attention of the House to an old ordinance which weighs heavily on the inhabitants of this province: he alluded to that which admits members of the Bar, coming from the mother country, to practice in this province. He would now move that the House do resolve itself into a Committee of the whole on Friday next, to consider whether it would not be expedient to amend in part the ordinance 25 Geo. III. cap. 4.

The motion was granted.

Mr. Leslie, on introducing a Bill to remove troops from the cities during elections, stated that it was precisely the same as the one passed unanimously in several successive sessions, and the printing of it might therefore be dispensed with, which was concurred in.

Mr. Lafontaine said that he found himself under the necessity of reviving the former proceedings of the House with regard to the Law Clerk, in consequence of no steps having been taken pursuant to the Resolutions passed last session.

The Resolutions of last year were passed.

Dr. Kimber said that the restitution of the Jesuits' College and the St. Maurice Forges to their original and legitimate purposes not having been mentioned in the Speech of His Excellency the Governor-in-Chief, he gave notice that he would, in the course of the present session, bring the subject under the consideration of the House.

Mr. Bedard moved the reference to a Special Committee, of that part of His Excellency's Speech which relates to the payment of the purchase money of Grosses-Isle.

Mr. Tessier thought that the matter ought to be referred to the Standing Sanitary Committee.

Mr. Guy would ask for the information of the House, and thereby give Mr. Bedard an opportunity of stating the facts of the case, whether he (Mr. B.) had not become *cessionnaire* of the Island himself.

Mr. Bedard most formally denied that he had.

Mr. Guy said, this answer was perfectly satisfactory, and his (Mr. G.'s) object had been obtained.

ASSEMBLY'S AGENT IN LONDON.

The only order of the day was for the second reading of the bill to appoint an Agent for the province in Great Britain.

Mr. Morin having asked the House to dispense with the reading at length of the bill, it being his intention to move its reference to a committee of the whole.

Mr. Guy rose and said, that on any other occasion but the present, he would not oppose the principle of the bill, nor under any other circumstances but the present. It was certainly extremely necessary that an Agent for the province should be in England, but at present when a committee had been sent out to investigate the affairs of the country, there was no necessity for an Agent in England. There was no necessity for their appointing a person to do that in England which could be done here by themselves. That was only doing by a circuitous method what could be done by direct means, and it would cause an expense which might be avoided. It would show a forgetfulness of the power with which the Commissioners are entrusted, and be the means of fomenting dissensions already too violent. He would ask for what purpose the agent was to be named—was it for the pleasure of filling newspapers with correspondence?... Was it for the purpose of annoying the Commissioners and impeding their enquiries? He would once more declare that he did not oppose the measure on account of its principle, but on account of the time chosen for bringing it forward. He thought that at least it ought to be postponed until they had reason to complain of the Commission.

Mr. Berthelot said, that he was of a very different opinion. According to his Excellency's speech on opening the present session there would be no decision on the affairs of the country until next year, and whilst the questions remained undecided and matters highly interesting to the country were in progress, ought they tacitly to acknowledge to Great Britain that justice had been done to the country, by neglecting to name an Agent? He thought the measure was introduced just at the proper moment, and considered it perfectly proper. The Commissioners were not the Agents

of the people—they were deputed by the Imperial Government, and the people ought still to have their Agent in England. They might as well reason that because there were Judges in a court there was no need for suitors to employ lawyers. [Laughter.] As to the expense, that was a minor consideration; when the liberty of a whole people was in question, pounds, shillings and pence ought not to be grudged.

Mr. Morin after making some observation which we could not distinctly hear, respecting Mr. Guy's support of the late administration, and hostility to the present, asked whether the commissioners had been delegated by the Lords and Commons of Great Britain; if that was shown to be the case, he would have no objection to postpone the nomination of an Agent.

Mr. Guy, in answer to Mr. Morin's first observations, said, that he was very happy to learn from the hon. member, that the King had at present a majority in the House, the more so, as his Majesty would thereby have the powerful support of the hon. member. As to his [Mr. G.'s] support of any administration, he denied being connected with any, and spoke his sentiments in the House without fear of Government or party, and would beg of the hon. member to restrain his acerbity when speaking of his [Mr. G.'s] position in the House last session, which had been anything but pleasant; but he had spoken his sentiments and would never do otherwise.

Mr. Morin had asked if the Commissioners had their authority from the Imperial Legislature. In answer to this, he [Mr. G.] would say, that there appeared to be one circumstance which ought to have struck Mr. Morin, but which had apparently escaped the observation of that gentleman.

It was this: the person named as Agent for the Assembly of this Province

had, after the appointment of the Commissioners by the British Government, been refused admittance to the colonial Office in that capacity, and being a member of the House of Commons, he certainly would have made a complaint to that body, had he seen that the course pursued by the Government in nominating a commission, by which means a more impartial knowledge of the affairs of this country could be obtained than through an Agent appointed by a party, was not agreeable to the House of Commons. It was, therefore, to be presumed that the House of Commons had acquiesced in the appointment of a commission.

Mr. Morin said that Mr. Guy had not understood his question. He [Mr. M.] meant to ask whether the commission had been invested by the Lords and Commons of Great Britain with full power to decide upon all the grievances complained of by this country. Now that could not be the case; there were a number of bad laws passed by the Imperial Parliament relating to this Province, which could only be amended by that body, and the presence of an Agent was required for that purpose.

There were also some other subjects which had not been touched upon in the speech of H. E.—such as the destitution of certain public officers of their offices... Judge Kerr, for instance—into whose conduct an enquiry was still pending in England, and the presence of an Agent was required.

Mr. O'Callaghan got up but was interrupted by the Speaker, who said that the debate so far had been irregular, there being no question before the chair. After a few words, however, had passed between Messrs. Morin and the Speaker, this difficulty was obviated by Mr. Morin moving that the bill should be referred to a Committee of the whole house on Friday next.

Mr. Guy would offer no new observations, but beg the house to understand that in passing a division he did so with a perfect conviction of the result—and as perfect a conviction that it was his duty so to do. We would however say that but for the presence of the Commission he would not have opposed the bill—leaving it to its place elsewhere.

Mr. O'Callaghan said that Mr. Guy had stated that Mr. Roebuck had been refused admittance to the Colonial Office as Agent of the House of Assembly; Mr. Guy however by referring to the printed correspondence between that gentleman and the Speaker of the house, would perceive that he was in error, that Mr. Roebuck had been received at the Colonial Office *en qualite d' Agent*.

Mr. Berthelot had but one observation to offer. If the house omitted to name an Agent at present it would be inferred in England that justice had been rendered to the country, which was very far from being the case.

Mr. Guy, in answer to Mr. O'Callaghan's observations, said that he had been misunderstood by that hon. member. He [Mr. G.] had stated that Mr. Roebuck had been refused admittance to the Colonial Office *en qualite d' Agent* after the appointment of the Commission.

Mr. Clapham said in consequence of the arrival of the Commission, the presence of an Agent in England was quite unnecessary, and the appointment would be a waste of the public money. He thought that the Commission ought to be allowed a fair chance of investigating the grievances of the country before such a measure as the present was resorted to.

The house then divided on Mr. Morin's motion.

For the motion, 55.

Against the motion,—Messrs. Baker, Blackburn, Bowman, Clapham, Guy, Powell, Wells, Wood, 8.

The House adjourned at half past 5 o'clock, p. m.

PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT

OF
LOWER CANADA.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

Friday, 30th October, 1835.

The Clerk laid before the House, the tenders for printing required by the House, a statement of Indemnity paid to the Members for their attendance during the session 1834, the Contingent Accounts of the House, his Report relating to his Assistants, and the Librarian's Report of the present state of the Library.

On motion of Mr. Perrault, the Committee on the Fees of the Sheriffs, Prothonotaries, &c. was instructed to enquire concerning the Fees received by Attorneys, Clerks of the peace and other officers of the Courts of Civil and Criminal Judicature under the tarriffs made by the said courts.

On motion of Mr. Vanfelson the Report of the Commissioners for the erection of a new Hall of Assembly, was referred to a Special Committee.

Mr. Archambeault introduced a bill to revive, amend and continue for a limited time, an act further to provide for the summary trial of small causes; second reading Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. Kimber, Lord Aylmer's answer of the 5th March last to the Address of the House of the 24th February, 1834, respecting grants of Land to Militia Officers and men was referred to Special Committee.

Mr. Kimber introduced a bill to abolish the punishment of the Pillory in certain cases; second reading Tuesday next.

Mr. Morin reported Lists of Members to compose the Standing Committees, which were concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Archambeault, the expediency of regulating the Fees of Clerks and Bailiffs employed by Justices of the Peace in the country parishes, is to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Morin introduced a bill to regulate the qualification and summoning of Jurors in civil and criminal matters; second reading Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Power that part of the Judicature Act relating to the holding of the Inferior Terms of the Courts of King's Bench is to be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

Mr. O'Callaghan introduced a bill to provide for the nomination and appointment of Parish and Town Officers within the Seigniories and Townships; second reading Tuesday next.

Mr. O'Callaghan also introduced a bill to make the salaries and emoluments of public officers liable to attachment at the suit of the creditors of such Officers; second reading Tuesday next.

The following petitions were presented, and referred, viz:—

By Mr. Leslie—Of the Mayor and Common Council of Montreal, for authority to purchase all property belonging to the estate of the late Bazile Proulx for the purpose of improving the New Market place, and to contract a Loan for the said object; referred, viz:—

By Mr. Knight...Of Baptists of the Townships of Stanbridge, Dunham, &c. for authority to their Pastors to keep Registers.

By Mr. Tache—Of Joseph Ouellet, for payment of his account as Commissioner for taking the census of the county of Rimouski.

By Mr. Huot...Of proprietors of the Common of Isle-du-Pads, for amendments to the Act which regulates the said Common.

By Mr. Meilleur...Two petitions for aid towards Internal Communications, and One for aid towards Education.

By Mr. Neil...One petition for aid towards Internal Communications.

By Mr. Hunt—Two petitions for ditto, and two for aid towards Education.

By Mr. Tache—One for do. and one for Education.

By Mr. Girouard—One for do.

By Mr. Knight...Two for do.

By Mr. Rodier—One for do.

By Mr. Guy—One for aid towards Education.

The Freedom of Elections bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Vanfelson introduced a bill to repeal certain parts of the Ordinance 25th Geo. III. Cap. 4, concerning persons to be admitted to practice the Law in this Province; second reading Wednesday next.

Mr. Kimber introduced a bill to amend the Act 55th Geo. III. Cap. 10, relative to the pensions of wounded Militiamen; second reading Wednesday next.

The Agent's bill was passed through Committee; to be reported to-morrow.

Saturday, October 31st, 1835.

Seven petitions for aid towards Education and Schools were presented and referred, viz:—

One by Mr. Wood, one by Mr. Dorion, one by Mr. Raymond, two by Mr. Bardy, and two by Mr. Grannis.

Eight petitions for aid towards Internal communications were also presented and referred, viz:—

Three by Mr. Archambeault, and one each by Messrs; Caron, P. A. Dorion, Huot, Kimber, and Grannis.

On motion of Mr. Vanfelson, the tenders for printing and other papers, laid before the house by the Clerk yesterday, were referred.

On motion of Mr. Bouthillier, the Standing Committee on Hospitals, &c. was instructed to enquire into the preventing the introduction of the Asiatic cholera.

On motion of Mr. Lafontaine, the Standing Committee of courts was instructed to enquire whether it is expedient to grant an indemnity to persons summoned to serve as Jurors in the courts of Justice, and whether it would not be expedient to amend the Law of Dower.

On motion of Mr. Vanfelson, the constitution of the court of Appeals to be considered Tuesday.

Mr. Leslie presented two petitions, one from the Health Committee of Montreal, for reimbursement of their expenses in 1834 and the other from Dr. Anderson, of Lachine, to be indemnified for professional services to emigrants passing through Lachine in 1834; referred.

Mr. DeBleny, one from Edward Holland, for indemnity for past services as keeper of the House of Correction at Montreal; referred.

Mr. Caron, one from the Corporation of Quebec, for reimbursement of expenses incurred by them for health purposes in 1834; referred.

Mr. Besserer, one of the Students of Medecine in Quebec, for the establishment of a School for Medecine, vested with authority to confer degrees in medecine, &c.

On motion of Mr. Leslie, the usual bank statements were ordered to be laid before the House.

Mr. Huot introduced the following bills; second reading Tuesday next:—

1. Bill to prevent the fraudulent seizure and sale of lands and other real property within the province. 2. Bill for making certain regulations respecting the Office of Sheriff. 3. Bill to authorize the sale and disposal of certain goods unclaimed and remaining in the possession of the Clerks of Peace in this province. 4. Bill for the qualification of Jurors of the Peace.

Mr. Tessier presented a petition from inhabitants of several parishes in the county of Saguenay, for grants of land in free and common socage in the Saguenay territory; referred.

Mr. Wells, a petition of Universalists for permission to keep Registers of births, &c.; and Mr. Grannis, a similar petition from Free-will Baptists; referred.

Mr. Kimber, a petition of Capt. Louis Boucher of St. Thomas, for a pension or other relief.

On motion of Mr. Debleury, the expediency of granting an indemnity to the Members of the Assembly, to be considered Wednesday.

Mr. Debleury moved, That it be an Instruction to the Standing Committee on Courts of Justice to enquire whether it would not be expedient to pass a Law authorizing His Excellency the Governor in Chief to issue a Commission appointing five Commissioners to be taken from the Bars of Quebec, Montreal and three Rivers, respectively, as follows, two from Quebec, two from Montreal, and one from Three Rivers, in order to prepare the draught of a Judicature Law for this Province, which shall be reported to this House on the first days of the ensuing Session, with power to the said Commissioners to send for persons, papers and records; negatived, yeas 22, nays 35.

The Freedom of Elections Bill was passed; and also the Agent's Bill was ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Huot introduced a bill to amend Road Act; second reading 9th November.

A Resolution was passed in Committee declaring that it is expedient to regulate the fees to be taken by Clerks and Bailiffs employed by Justices of the Peace in the country parishes; to be reported on Monday.

By Mr. Meilleur...Two petitions for aid towards Internal Communications, and One for aid towards Education.

By Mr. Neil...One petition for aid towards Internal Communications.

By Mr. Hunt—Two petitions for ditto, and two for aid towards Education.

By Mr. Tache—One for do. and one for Education.

By Mr. Girouard—One for do.

By Mr. Knight...Two for do.

By Mr. Rodier—One for do.

By Mr. Guy—One for aid towards Education.

The Freedom of Elections bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Vanfelson introduced a bill to amend the Act 55th Geo. III. Cap. 10, relative to the pensions of wounded Militiamen; second reading Wednesday next.

Mr. Kimber introduced a bill to amend the following words: 'No, my Lord! It is unnecessary for me now to assure your Lordship of my attachment to the person and Government of the King, or of my anxiety to compose the unhappy differences in Canada; but I regret, my Lord, that the necessity, you think yourself under, to embody in your instructions commands beyond the constitutional power of His Majesty to impose, prevents me from testifying either. I

We condemn the payment of the falsely styled contingency, under any circumstances, but we condemn it the more because it has been promised before the House of Assembly had taken measures to repay the just debts of the province. It would at least have been prudens in his Excellency to have delayed the boon until he had received some assurances of an amended spirit in the Assembly.

The 31,000 pounds constitute a debt which the House of Assembly is morally bound to repay: we approve of his Excellency's demanding it.

We approve of his Excellency's laying before the Legislature the Despatches of Colonial Secretaries, 'except those confidential communications which could not be made public without inconvenience to the public interest.' His Excellency promises no more than his immediate predecessors have been doing. We approve of his demanding an 'adequate Civil list,' and of his observations in regard to the reservation of Bills for signification of his Majesty's pleasure. We are willing that the net proceeds of the hereditary revenue be under the control of the Assembly, provided he first make that body an English one, or have the firmness to resist the present French one, unless it 'prepare the bill in such a form, that it may be acceptable to the various authorities, whose sanction it may require or under whose cognizance it may come.' But his Excellency may have possibly heard, that no bill for the appropriation of money, has passed the Assembly, without some odious 'tacks' being made to it.

If his Excellency shall remain firm, he shall have our support on those points; but we are still hostile to the principle which he has suffered to be introduced into the *contingency*.

As the third part of the speech, we receive his remarks as Commissioner. In a fourth part, we would include all the incidental topics introduced by his Excellency. We cannot see the necessity under which his Excellency lay to introduce into an opening speech from the throne, the small pieces of news, with which this part is garnished; such as the prefatory remarks and the intimation that Sir J. Caldwell had resigned his seat. We do not profess to understand what his Excellency alludes to when he says, that the Executive with the assistance of one branch can apply a remedy to certain evils; we know of no such power, perhaps his Excellency means it as a hint, that, if the Assembly shall expel any of the loyal members, as they expelled M. Mondelet, he will issue his writ for electing a new one.

The *Vindictive* and The *Minerve* have been quarrelling on the subject of *aliens*. The *Minerve* maintains that the British and Irish are, in this Province, *aliens*; the Doctor, his own bad self being an Irishman, says not. When two such doctors differ, it is well for humble men like ourselves, to wait the issue. We shall be careful, on the settling of the question, to inform the British and Irish, whether their own country is really their own, or not.

The Editor of the *Minerve*, M. Leblanc de Marconnay, has given up his post, because the *clique* could not pay him. What will our *liberal* friends say? Revolutionist-Editors are as bad as 'Tory hirelings'; they don't work for nothing.

We have heard that the *St. Francis Courier* is defunct. The contingency will enable it to go on again. *Pas d'argent, pas d'Suisse.*

In the *Ami du Peuple*, we have read an extract from a paper published at New York, under the title of the 'Protestant *Vindictive*', in which the Catholic priests and nuns of Montreal are charged with crimes of the blackest description. We have read the article with that loathing disgust, which the barefaced assertion of abominable falsehoods never fails to produce in honorable minds. The simple fact, that men of such abandoned character, are entrusted with the management of a public journal, is a libel on humanity: but their shameless attack on men so highly respected & beloved by all classes in this province, as the priests of Montreal, can earn for them nothing but withering scorn. We are a Protestant, and as such we blush that our holy religion should have been assumed as a mask, for propagating such foul calumny.

The Mills at Longueil have been burned. Estimated loss \$24,000.

Editorial articles of interest, as the pet phrase of the *Herald* goes, are again crowded out.

We extract the following remarks from a letter contained in the Montreal Herald of the 2d instant, addressed to his Excellency Lord Gosford. We may hereafter take occasion to lay before our readers the whole letter together with other communications from the same source:

Your sixteenth paragraph, my lord, not only surrenders the contingencies but, doing so without note or comment, unequivocally concedes to the assembly the right of seizing as much of the public money, as its uncontrolled wisdom may hereafter deem necessary for any purpose whatever, provided it employs the mysterious screen of 'contingent expenses.' Your lordship is aware, that the temporary act for paying to each member of assembly two dollars a day, during the session, has recently expired; & your lordship must also be aware, that the assembly, previously to the passing of that act, resolved to include the pay of its members among the 'contingent expenses.' The same thing, my lord, may happen again; and 'the English inhabitants of this province' will have great reason to be thankful, if they are not taxed for a daily pay of two dollars. Permit me to draw your lordship's attention to a resolution, passed by the legislative council in 1831.

Resolved—That the application by any person or persons, of any sum of money whatever, to any purpose whatever, other than the payment of the *ordinary* contingent expenses of one or other of the Houses of the Provincial Parliament, without the consent of the Legislative Council distinctly expressed in writing by bill or otherwise, would be a contempt of the privileges of this House, subversive of the constitution of this province, and a manifest violation of the Imperial Statute of the 31st Geo. III. cap. 31.'

So far from having obtained or asked 'the consent of the legislative council,' your lordship did not even condescend to apprise that body of the surrender of the contingencies. Your sixteenth paragraph was addressed only to 'Gentlemen of the house of Assembly.'

Does your lordship doubt, that the legislative council will follow up its own resolution by impeaching your lordship for having subverted 'the constitution of this province,' and of having violated 'the Imperial Statute of the 31st Geo. III. c. 31?' Your lordship, however, does not seem to have any great regard for the legislative council. In your lordship's fourth paragraph, you enumerate as 'the objects at which I aim,' 'the good will of the Canadians of all ranks and classes; the confidence of the representatives of the people, the respect of all branches and members of the Government.' Here find special mention of 'the representatives of the people'; I do not find special mention of the legislative council. In this instance, at least, your lordship seems to have forgotten your impartiality.

Albany, Oct. 23.—It is very certain that the new commission in Canada are paying assiduous court to the Papineau party, and to do this they have descended to conduct, beneath the dignity of their stations. It appears that Lord Gosford said but a very short time at the ball given Lady Aylmer, lest his remaining there might give offence to the opposition. The commission may possibly stem the hatred of the Papineau interest by this course. But the demands will increase at every concession. We should rejoice to see Canada a free country, but when the French party are opposed to the spread of knowledge, and the influence of education, while the habitans are studiously kept in ignorance and are unable to judge of their political interests, any revolution at present, will only subject them to the tyranny and misrule of men, such as our own nation at present groans under, of *patriots* only because they are spoils.—*Albany Gaz.*

Character of a French Canadian Legislator. To the *Editor of the Quebec Gazette* Sir.—It was with surprise that I observed in your paper of Saturday last, a communication signed 'E. Bedard,' containing a most unfounded imputation upon my impartiality in reporting the debates of the House of Assembly, by which the author has evinced a very contemptible littleness of character, in making such an unwarrantable attack upon me, relying, perhaps, for impunity, on the protection afforded him as a Member of the Legislature, and my humble station in life. Mr. E. Bedard has always shown himself to be possessed of but a very small portion of the common sense and penetration so indispensably necessary in a Legislator, his malicious, false and cowardly attack on my character, being founded, to all appearance, on the circumstance of my having reported his and Mr. Guy's expressions in a more concise form than they are rendered in the *Cadastre*, after a 'conference' between the reporter for that paper and Mr. Bedard himself. It may be seen, on reference to the two versions, that the sense of each is precisely the same; and yet, Mr. Bedard's 'feelings' are touched, because a personal affair of his is not made so important in the *Gazette*, by multiplying long words and phrases, as he has made it. In conclusion, Mr. Editor, I will say that I have written the above 'pour ma propre justification, quelque desir que j'eus de point occuper le public de ce qui peut me concerner que moi seul,' an avowed rule of Mr. Bedard's, which he has not acted up to in the present instance.

I remain, sir, your obt. servant, JOHN BEAN. Quebec, Nov. 2d, 1835.

London, Sept. 20.—We are enabled to give an accurate account below, of the affair of the 11th between the Queen's troops and the Carlists, near Berlin.

The divisions of Espartero and Espeleta, amounting together to about 8,000 men, marched on the 11th from Bilboa. The two divisions had marched about two

miles when they fell in with the advanced parties of the enemy, who skirmished with them, until they reached Arrigorreaga, where they found the main body of the Carlists under Moreno, amounting to 11 or 12,000 men, strongly posted. Under these circumstances, Espeleta, not wishing to leave behind him so large a force, which would have been sufficient to blockade Bilbao had the Queen's troops continued their march to Orduna as was originally intended, ordered his forces to retreat, upon which they were hotly pursued by the enemy. When the noise of the firing was heard at Bilbao, the garrison and four battalions of the English marched out to support Espeleta's troops. In consequence of the bridge over the Nervion having been abandoned before the rear of Espartero's division, with part of the baggage, had passed, the Carlist cavalry charged them, and occasioned considerable loss; but Espartero placed himself at the head of a few cavalry and recovered the bridge, and the 3d Regiment of the English coming to his assistance, charged down the road & drove the Carlists back. This was the only English battalion that was seriously engaged, and it behaved very well. Espartero was severely wounded in the arm; and the total loss during the day, including two English killed, and ten wounded, does not exceed 450 men.

The Carlists occupied on the 12th the same positions they held on the preceding day, in the villages of St. Michel, Arrigorreaga and Kasauri, with a battalion in advance at the bridge of Puentz Nuevo. The river remains open, and as nearly 12,000 are in Bilbao, and its immediate neighborhood, there is not the least reason to fear for its safety. Don Carlos is at Durango.

The Moniteur contains a proclamation for the prorogation of the French Chambers, and a list of thirty new Peers, most of whom are mere dependents on the Crown, and men of exceedingly small reputation. The French Ministry have refused to comply with the urgent request of the Spanish Government for the loan of an army to put down the disaffected of all opinions.—*Quebec Gaz.*

London, Sept. 25.—The German papers inform us that the camp at Kalisch is about to be raised, and the three sovereigns are by this time on their way to Toplitz where they intend to hold a few consultations on the present state of politics in the West of Europe. Some Journals still believe in war, and several of them say that the Russians and Prussians wish for a camp in the West. We have already observed to them that they look only at the camp at Kalisch, and that on casting our eyes on the fine troops that compose it, we must be struck at seeing only a number of detachments from each corps of the army. We added, disorganizing all the parts of the great army is certainly no proof that war is at hand. Accordingly, see how pacific ideas gain ground in Europe. Why? Because the French Government has perfectly comprehended its mission. King Louis Philippe has perceived that the European question was not to be decided at Kalisch, but at the Tuilleries; and that the day on which his energetic will should subdue the spirit of anarchy, would be the day on which the maintenance of peace would be decided on by all powers. Secure order at Paris, and you secure the peace of the world: this is what has hitherto been sufficiently understood.

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The Proprietors and occupiers in the 4th division are requested to attend at the subdivision of road labor in said division, to be made on Thursday the 19th of November current to commence on the Province line at Lot No. 4 in the 1st range, at 9 o'clock A. M.

Sutton, 9th, Nov. 1835. IRA JAMES, Surveyor of Roads.

NEW STORE.

The subscriber, having just returned from New York, has the pleasure of informing his friends and the public, that he has opened a New Store in HIGHGATE, (within two miles of Mississauga Bay) and offers at wholesale, a very choice and extensive assortment of the following goods, to wit:

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Merchants, Traders, and others are most respectfully invited to call and examine the quality and prices.

W. W. SMITH. 30—tf.

Mississauga Bay, Nov. 3, 1835.

29—tf.

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TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS and upwards have already been expended by the publishers of the Saturday Courier in literary prizes, and in payment to American writers.—FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS will shortly be offered in prizes for enriching its columns, the promotion of Knowledge, and the encouragement of American literature, of liberality believed to be unprecedented as their success has already been unexampled.

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RECOMMENDATORY NOTICE.

From the multitude of these, we refer the stranger to a brief extract, from one only for the sake of brevity, viz:

The Saturday Courier is the largest weekly journal published in Philadelphia, and certainly one of the very best in the United States.—[Pennsylvania Daily Inquirer, of May 18th 1835.]

The Saturday Courier is sent in exchange to editors who will do us the favour of inserting this advertisement.

Elizur Wright, Abraham L. Cox, Lewis Tappan, Joshua Leavitt, Samuel F. Cornish, Simeon S. Jocelyn, and Theodore S. Wright, have made themselves amenable to the laws of Louisiana, as criminals, appears by their own confession. The crime is circulating incendiary publications in Louisiana, through the medium of the Post Office. There can be proof sufficient adduced at the next district court to be held in this parish, on which to found bills of indictment, and if the accused are convicted on trial, their lives will pay the forfeit of their crimes.—There is then a plain and obvious course marked out for the constituted authorities of Louisiana to pursue. Let bills of indictment be found. Governor White will demand the culprits of the Governor of New York, who under the acts of Congress is bound to deliver them up on the demand. We repeat, the course to be pursued is clear and legal. Tappan & co. can be easily taught their duty to the free people of Louisiana, at least.

We know we only speak the opinion and feeling of every citizen of West Feliciana, when we say, that if any known abolitionist should be found among us, of his own volition, he will be executed under sentence of the people, without appealing to a court. This will be done as sure as there is a God.—No earthly power can prevent it. Let all abolitionists, then, take warning, and keep far from us. Much as we respect the law, we regard our personal safety above all law.—*Lou. Journal.*

It is stated on fair authority, that the sale of the Seigniory of Lauzon, which is 36 leagues in superficies, is about to be concluded at Boston, and that the purchase money will exceed the amount of the debts due to the province, by the estate of the H. Caldwell, Esq. and by his son. This result of the delays of Justice has been more fortunate than similar delays generally are; and certainly that seigniory would not have been sold, at any period of the ten years preceding this, for more than one half of the debt. Sir John and his father did not act prudently in using the balances above the ordinary expenditure of the Province, which were left in their hands. The Receiver-General in this Province, however, only said that England authorised all Receivers of the Revenue to do, who, like them had given securities for the balances. It is notorious too, that both the Massrs. Caldwell used these balances with the knowledge not only of the Colonial and of the Home authorities.—*Quebec Gaz.*

LIST OF LETTERS.

LETTERS FOR ST. ARMAND.

Mary Ann Page 2, William Callender, Robert S. Fleming, Seneca Page, Marshall Hunt, Joseph Fortin, Omeo Lagrange,

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Office of the British American Land Company.

Sherbrooke, July 20, 1835.

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THE BRITISH AMERICAN LAND COMPANY are now prepared to contract for building a BRIDGE over the River Saint Francis at Sherbrooke. Persons inclined to erect this bridge, will be required to furnish plans upon which they would recommend its construction, with specifications of the timber and materials required, and estimates of the sums for which they will complete the same, both with and without warrant for five years. It is desirable that plans, &c. should be furnished with as little delay as possible. Any information relating to the site of the Bridge, &c. may be obtained by application at this Office.

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POETRY.

THE BRITISH BANNER.

Come shake forth the banner, let loyal breath fan her,
She has blazed o'er Quebec two ages and more!
Thro' danger we'll hold her, the fewer the bolder,
As constant and true as our fathers before.

See, see, the foul rags of the tri-colour brave us;
Behold what a crew 'neath its tattered advance!
Traitors, Deists, and Rebels, in league to enslave us—

A rabble well worthy the ensign of France!

But the bright British banner, the ensign of honor,
Shall wave o'er the heads of true Britons still;
Ho! brave Britons rally, from mountain & valley,
Around the old flag-staff on Cape Diamond hill!

Through the 'broad stone of honor' the flag-staff is founded,
Deep, deep in the sure Rock or Acre below!
It stood when Rebellion's wild tempest resounded,
And shall stand, by God's grace, though again it should blow.

Then hoist the bright banner the ensign of honor,
Let loyal breath fan her—up, up and away!—
To Frenchman and traitor, to tyrant and traitor,
Shake forth the old flag of defiance.—Hurrrah!

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of this province, & contrary to law, [cheers.] For the purpose of effecting this, without interruption, the leaders of the House of Assembly who unfortunately have the majority, are extremely desirous of rendering the Legislative Council elective, by which means it would become a second House of Assembly, and in consequence a mere echo, under the presumption, and naturally enough, that no Governor could be found sufficiently hardy to resist the House of Assembly. If it were to be allowed to one branch of the Legislature the power of voting any sums of money it pleased, it was impossible to say where it would end. They would, ultimately, not only exhaust all the funds at their disposal, but impose fresh taxes to create more. And by whom would these taxes be borne?—Why, ostensibly borne by the large body of the population, but are they not borne more particularly by that portion represented by the Constitutional Association? [cheers, and cries of 'yes! yes!'] It was, therefore, absolutely necessary that the attention of his Excellency the Governor in Chief should be called to this subject, lest from any vain desire of conciliation, Lord Gosford should be induced to grant a concession which would leave us at the mercy of the demagogues, whose wishes towards us are any thing but well disposed, [cheers.]

Mr. Edouard Glackemeyer, rose to second the resolution. He said that he was deeply impressed with the importance of the subject...equally with the numerous and respectable body by which he was surrounded. It was one of the most important in the British Constitution. All well knew that the control of any branch of the Legislature was the very essence of the liberty of the Constitution, for without control there can be no liberty, be it even a King or Emperor, or a popular body. It has often been seen that popular bodies may be very despotic, and without a proper control over its expenditure we could not be sure of liberty...we might have the shadow but the substance would be wanting, (cheers.) If the House of Assembly are to be allowed to spend money as they think fit, and send an Ambassador to the Court of St. James's (laughter) no one knows but what they may hereafter think fit to send one to some other Government, (cheers and laughter.) They may appoint such officers as they think and give them such salaries as they deem proper. What will follow? The other branch will do the same...it will create officers, appoint 'ambassadors,' &c.—all of which the House of Assembly will at, having set the example. The Executive of course will do the same, and place hunters will naturally augment in proportion with places, (cheers and laughter.) The most deserving, however, will not obtain the places...it will be the most clamorous who will be the most successful—those who, turned out of place by one branch ingratiate themselves with another by abusing their former employers, [cheers.] These were not imaginary evils, they had perhaps not yet gone on to such an extent, but they were in a very fair way for it, [loud cheering and laughter.] Mr. Neilson in his speech had shewn how the expenses of the Legislature have increased since 1795. The fact is that the House of Assembly has winked at the increase of the expenses of the Legislative Council, having been guilty of the same itself—and if the Executive had not increased its expenditure also, it was owing to the virtue of the individuals who were at the head of the Executive. In conclusion Mr. Glackemeyer expressed a sincere hope that we might keep up the connection with Great Britain and enjoy the benefits of her Constitution for a great number of years to come, [loud cheering.]

Moved by Mr. Pemberton, seconded by Mr. Glackemeyer,

3. That no application of monies levied on the subject in this province can be lawfully made, unless by acts made and consented to by the three branches of the Legislature constituted by the said act, or by virtue of the King's lawful Prerogative over the revenues that may appertain to the Crown, or by laws having force in this province.

Moved by Mr. Kerr, seconded by Mr. Hossack,

4. That the claim which has recently been insisted upon by the House of Assembly, and occasionally acted upon by the Legislative Council to obtain, by separate

addresses to the Governor, advances of unappropriated money, under the plea of defraying contingent expenses, but in reality embracing the payment of salaries or allowances not legally established, and more particularly as respects the pretensions of the Assembly for expenses, not incurred or to be incurred for the business of the Session of that House, is altogether unfounded in Law, unsupported by Parliamentary usage, and subversive of the rights and liberties of British subjects.

Mr. Allan Gilmour, on proposing the 5th Resolution said, that it must be very obvious that if the principle of allowing the House of Assembly to spend the money as it pleased, were to take effect, we should soon be called upon to pay additional taxes, for the House of Assembly would assuredly have a great increase of friends with their means of paying them so well, and all the money would be spent among those friends instead of upon public improvements; he therefore considered this subject as one of the highest importance, and one upon which the whole of our liberties depend, [loud cheers.]

Moved by Mr. Gilmour, seconded by Mr. G. B. Symes.

5. That among the various instances in which the claim has been set up, none is more calculated to produce alarm in the minds of His Majesty's subjects than the encouragement held out by the resolutions of the Assembly, of the 21st February, 1834, to the supporters of the majority in that body to organize Committees of correspondence, and the pledge therein tendered of the public funds of this province for the reimbursement of the expenses to be incurred by such Committees in furthering their views, whch proceeding is open usurpation of powers not conferred on the Assembly by the Law and constitution of the Province, is destructive of order and Government, and subversive of the rights and liberties of his Majesty's subjects therein.

Mr. William Price, on moving the 6th Resolution stated, that he need not call to the recollection of the meeting that a great object of the House of Assembly in endeavoring to obtain an uncontrolled expenditure of the public money, was for the purpose of paying its partisans throughout the country and supporting its conventions. The moment was fast approaching when this must be decided, and they could not but feel anxious as to the result. He [Mr. P.] did not wish to trouble the meeting with many observations, and would therefore content himself with recalling their attention to the attempts made by the partisans of the House of Assembly on the other side of the water, to whom they have promised large sums of money, to destroy the timber trade of this country. Mr. Roeback had been most indefatigable in furtherance of this object, and had cross-examined Mr. Neilson on the Committee, as described by that gentleman, more in the spirit of a pettifogger in the Inferior Terms than a Legislator, [cheers and laughter.] Moved by Mr. Price, seconded by Mr. Langlois.

6. That in the present state of the representation in the House of Assembly, wherein those who contribute a very large proportion of the Provincial Revenue are not represented, and the majority of its members are elected by people claiming a nationality distinct from the rest of His Majesty's subjects, and acting under the influence of prejudices and feelings hostile to those of other national origins, the power claimed by the House of Assembly of disposing of public money without the consent of the whole Legislature, cannot be expected to be exercised for the common welfare of all His Majesty's subjects in this province, but rather in furtherance of hostility to numerous classes of their fellow citizens, and for the reward of unprincipled and corrupt partisans and supporters, whereby the danger to the rights and liberties of the subject is rendered imminent.

Moved by Mr. Strang, seconded by Mr. McLellan.

7. That one of the great advantages of an elective Branch of the Legislature, is the check which ought to result therefrom on profuse and unnecessary expenditure of public money on the part of the Executive officers, but that this check would become altogether unavailing if the Assembly were to obtain the distribution of public money among themselves, or persons of their own choice, without the consent of the other Branches and the subject be thus left without sufficient security against rapacity, corruption and tyranny.

Moved by Mr. Langlois, seconded by Mr. Bristow.

8. That it is expedient to present an humble address to his Excellency the Governor in Chief founded on the foregoing Resolutions.

Moved by Mr. Arduin, seconded by Mr. McKenzie.

9. That the members of the Executive Committee of the Quebec Constitutional Association, be requested to prepare and present the same in their own names and on behalf of this meeting, and that the said Committee be further requested to continue to support before His Majesty's Commissioners the Petitions intrusted to them, and presented to His Majesty and to both Houses of the Imperial Parliament.

The whole of the foregoing resolutions were passed unanimously and with acclamation.

Moved by Mr. Kerr, seconded by Mr. Hossack,

4. That the claim which has recently been insisted upon by the House of Assembly, and occasionally acted upon by the Legislative Council to obtain, by separate

with three cheers, the meeting adjourned sine die.—*Quebec Gaz.*

So IT IS.—There are some characters who appear to superficial observers to be full of contradiction, change, and inconsistency, and yet they that are in the secret of what such persons are driving at, know that they are the very reverse of what they appear to be, and that they have one single object in view to which they as pertinaciously adhere, through every circumstance of change, as the hound to the hare, through all her mazes and doublings. We know that a windmill is eternally at work to accomplish one end, although it shifts with every variation of the weathercock, and assumes ten different positions in a day.

A Definitionist....The following definitions of experimental and natural philosophy were given to us a few days since by a Pearl-street merchant. 'Experimental philosophy,' said he, 'is to ask a man to discount a note. Natural philosophy is to refuse it!'—*N. Y. Star.*

A SINGULAR FACT.—How does it happen that little men always fall in love with tall ladies; and tall ladies with short men?

This question implies singular facts, and we are sure that any person of a metaphysical turn, could write a most admirable essay upon it. We appeal to our readers to decide, on a careful inspection of the loves of their friends and acquaintances, if such is not the fact. We have noticed it a thousand times.

A curious publication, showing the number of victims that have been sacrificed by the Inquisition, has just appeared, and according to which 105,265 fell under Torquemada, \$1,167 under Cisneros, and 34,932 under Diego Perez. Those who suffered under the Inquisition who preceded these three horrid monsters, amounted to 3,410. It is reckoned that 31,912 have been burnt alive, 15,939 have suffered the punishment of the stake, and 291,450 that of the penitentiaries—500,000 families have been destroyed by the Inquisition, and it has cost Spain two millions of her children.—*Eng. Paper.*

Curious Piscatory Fact.—One morning, during the short but severe frost at the latter end of January, as Mr. Lukay, gentleman who resided at Dulwich, was walking out with his dog, the animal showed symptoms of thirst, when Mr. L., being near a pond, went to it and broke the ice, for the purpose of allowing the dog to drink, when, to his great astonishment, three fine carp and one gold fish immediately jumped up and falling on the ice, he contrived to bag the whole of them; the carp afterwards furnishing him with an excellent treat, being at this period of the year full of roe and in prime condition. So suddenly was their plunge from the water, that Mr. Lukay was quite startled. There is no doubt that from the extreme dryness of the present season, the water in the pond had become remarkably low, and the fish were nearly suffocated for the want of air.

DAILY BREAD.—In a bookseller's list of Evangelical works, very lately issued, occurs the following item:—'Daily Bread, Boards.'

FACTORY.

THE subscriber respectfully informs his friends and the public generally, that he is now adding, in Machinery and repairs, to his present

WOOLLEN FACTORY, 1500

dollars. All the machinery of the Eastern improvement, made in a superior manner, and will be in readiness for business early in the season; tended by faithful help, and superintended by a first rate experienced workman. It is calculated to manufacture 30lbs. of raw wool every day, completing the same amount for the Tailor. He therefore requests those wishing to encourage such business in the County, to furnish him with

10,000

pounds to work on shares or by the yard, this year. If application is made soon, bargains can be made on as good terms for the customer as at any establishment of the kind in the County; perhaps better.

Grey Cloth will be made by the yard, for 30cts. Common cloths, &c. for 35, for cash. Manufactured on shares, for 6 yards out of 18 yards. Flannels to be done in proportion to the other work.

Custom CARDING & CLOTH-DRESSING

WILL be continued to any extent the public may require; all superintended by superior workmen, on fair terms.

Mr. H. M. Chandler of Frelinghury, is au-

thorised to give receipts for Wool and the return

of cloth in October. JOS. G. PRENTISS.

Sheldon, June 30, 1835. 12—th.

ALSO

A GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF

CHAIRS,

such as Parlor, Dining, and Rocking Chairs—Small and High Chairs.

The above articles need no recommendation for fancy or durability. Any person wishing

to purchase will do well to call and examine

quality and prices before purchasing elsewhere,

as the subscribers intend selling as cheap for

produce as can be bought in the country, and a little

cheaper for cash.

N. B. A few thousand feet of dry, Cherry &

Butternut Boards wanted in exchange for the

above articles.

E. B. HUNTERFORD,

JAMES MURRAY.

Stanbridge, East Village, July 7th, 1835. 13—th

TO SELL

OR TO LET, that large, elegant two story

HOUSE, newly painted, with Stables and Sheds; lately occupied by C. C. P. Gould, as a

TAILORING BUSINESS,

in all its various branches, at his old stand, in the

village of Philipsburg, where he hopes they are

sufficiently acquainted with his superior abilities,

as a mechanic, to need no further recommendation.

Having just returned from visiting the principal

cities of the two Provinces, where he has procured

a variety of the latest fashions, he will be enabled

to execute his work equal to any, and surpass

DANIEL FORD.

June 23 1835. 11—t

STRAYED,

ABOUT the 10th of August last, a Brown 2

year old STEER. Whoever will give infor-

mation concerning him will be handsomely re-

warded.

SALVA STONE.

Henryville, August 10th, 1835. 19—2m.

St. Armand, September 29, 1835.

OREN J. KEMP.

St. Armand, September 27, 1835.

NOTICE.

THE following are the prices for which Cloth will be dressed at the

FACTORY

of the Hon. ROBERT JONES, in the village

of Bedford, viz:

FULLING & COLOURING,

(all colours except Indigo Blue.)

Ten Pence per yard, if paid immediately,

One Shilling per yard, payable in January next,

One Shilling and 3 pence, if not paid till the

end of the year.

FULLING, SHEARING

(once) and

PRESSING,

Five pence per yard, cash down;

Six pence per yard, in January next;

Seven pence half penny, at the end of the year.

FLANNELS,

all colours,

Six pence, cash down; Seven pence half penny, in

January next; Nine pence, at the end of the year.

CLOTH and most kinds of produce received

in payment.

JOHN BROWN.